

### **REMARKS**

Claims 6, 7, and 8 have been amended. Claim 17 has been cancelled. Claims 6 - 16 are pending.

In the Office Action, claim 17 is withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention. Applicants have cancelled claim 17 by this amendment.


Additionally, in the Office Action, the proposed sheet of drawings, filed with the previous amendment of June 9, 2003, has been disapproved. Further, in the Office Action, the previous amendment of June 9, 2003 is objected to under 35 U.S.C. §132 as introducing new matter, via amendments to Page 9 and Page 30 and the newly added Figure 27. Applicants hereby withdraw the amendments to Page 9 and Page 30 and the newly added Figure 27 proposed to be added by the previous amendment of June 9, 2003.

Moreover, in the Office Action, claims 6, 7, and 8 - 16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement.

Additionally, in the Office Action, claims 6 - 16 are indicated as allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejections thereof under 35 U.S.C 112. Applicants have rewritten claims 6, 7, and 8 to remove the respective objected-to language in these claims.

Applicants submit that claims 6 - 16 patentably define over the prior art of record and are allowable. Accordingly, it is submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and early action toward that end is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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